STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., JULY 30TH, 2015 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 30th day of July, 2015 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report that cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15. This tragic disease is detected in more than 15,000 of our country's young people each and every year; and

WHEREAS, one in every five children with cancer loses his or her battle, and many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection was founded over 20 years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family and is dedicated to helping these children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital in NYC, Children's Hospital, Duker Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor nationwide Courageous Kid Recognition Award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer; and

WHEREAS, last year the Erie County Legislature proclaimed September, 2014 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month for the first time and now wishes to make this an annual recognition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to recognize and acknowledge September, 2015 as **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month** in Erie County.